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SUBJECT: UN REQUEST PAYMENT OF 2010 REGULAR BUDGET ASSESSMENT

¶1. USUN has emailed to Department (IO/MPR-Lisa Spratt and EUR-IO/EX/FM-Alice Green) a note from the Secretary-General, dated 31 December 2009 requesting payment of the U.S. assessed contribution to the United Nations regular budget for 2010 in the amount of \$517,133,507.00. The note also refers to outstanding payments in the amount of \$293,733,963.47 with respect to the UN regular budget for prior years. Text of note is as follows:

¶2. Begin Text:

Reference: Contributions 2-1

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the Permanent Representative of United States of America to the United Nations and has the honour to refer to regulation 3.3 of the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations, which provides that, after the General Assembly has adopted or revised the programme budget, the Secretary-General shall transmit relevant documents to Member States, inform them of their commitments and request them to remit their contributions.

In Compliance with that regulation, the Secretary-General has the honour to transmit the document ST/ADM/SER.B/789 and to inform His Excellency that the contribution payable by His Excellency's Government with respect to the regular budget of the United Nations for 2010 is as follows:

| | Amounts | Outstanding | |
|---|----------------|------------------|----------------|
| Net Assessment | In Suspense | Prior Years | Total Payable |
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| Regular Budget | 517,133,507.00 | - 293,733,963.47 | 810,867,470.47 |
| Adjustment of advance to the Working Capital Fund for 2010-2011 | | - | |
| Total | | | 810,867,470.47 |

In view of the continuing frailty of the Organization's financial situation, the United Nations continues to require funds on an urgent basis in order to meet its financial commitments in a timely manner. In this connection, attention is drawn to regulation 3.4 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, which states that contributions are due and payable in full within 30 days of the receipt of the communication of the Secretary-General. It would be highly appreciated if His Excellency's Government could make a special effort to comply with financial regulation 3.4. The Secretary-General also invites His Excellency to indicate the approximate date at which payment could be expected from his Government in order to facilitate the financial planning of the Organization.

Payment in United States dollars may be deposited to the
"United Nations General Fund Account" No. 485-001985,
JPMorgan Chase Bank, New York, N.Y. U.S.A. End Text.

¶3. Action requested: Department is requested to facilitate payment as noted above in paragraph 1.

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